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# MADNESS IN THE STOKEHOLE.

Firemen on the Ocean Liners Are Subject to a Species of Melancholy Madness.

"Speaking of madness, that is one of the things we always expect from the stokehole," says a writer in the Detroit Free Press. "Night is the time when such troubles break loose. The kind of warmth and cordiality that men lie awake and brood and think while the tossing of the ship makes ture of 140 degrees takes the heart evening," both women were saying at out of them. Then it is that the poor once. chaps go out of their minds. They rush on deck and instinctively seek man, visibly nervous, and blushing relief from the pent-up heat in their crimson with ill-concealed excitement. shattered bodies by plunging over-

board "Sight, also," is the time when the dropped unread on a table. fights among the crew occur. The men know that it means 'irons' if caught afraid we should not know. How could at the game, so they choose the dark- you, dear count? Of course, we should

est time of the night. the ocean traveler, who expects in can. Our men are so vulgarly aththese days not only a quick trip with letic." all the hotel comforts thrown in but pounted this bridge during the early and in a moment both seized him imyou could write a book about the things triumphantly to the dining hall. that happened aboard an ocean greyhound at night with never an eyelash of a passenger disturbed by the

trouble. Pay of English Soldiers. much .- N. Y. Sun.

# The Count's Ambassador

By LUCIE FRANCE PIERCE

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DURING certain lucid intervals it sibly he had made a mistake, after all, in marrying the blue-eyed, yellow-haired darling who had been the talk of the resort the winter before. He fancied when he won her love that she had tired in a measure of the silly adulations of the string of idle titled Williams, ......County Supt. Schools, wells who flock to a fashionable sea-Address, Snapps, Va. and live on the proceeds of the gaming table. However, Lily Van Horton could not resist knowing the French arrival. Count Boni de Noir, late of Paris, and decorated with several conspicuous orders which at least looked impor-

The count had won \$3,000 from Van 3rd Sundays at 11 A M., on the 2nd and Horton, one week after arriving and to the tender mercies of Marie, who having met her as yet, and watching | ter had actually frightened him. her from a distance, he was secretly amused at her extraordinary effusion of manner.

Horton nest just down the avenue be- dear count, when you come and see us youd the gardens of the hotel. He had | in New York?" called several evenings before at Van | "But, mademoiselle," he cried, with expression of sincere regret along the | will excuse me nowedge of each card which he left. Lily, though never found to be openly selfof some of theattention which she constantly craved.

The two young women were in a flutter of expectancy when the count's note of acceptance arrived on the day of the dinner. They failed to notice the rudeness and the implied sneer in its delay. They put on their golf rigs and walked to the country gardener's and purchased great armfuls of bachelor-buttons for the table decoration because Lily thought that the beautiful blue blossoms might serve as a wedge to open the conversation con-

cerning the count's domestic life. Van Horton himself was amused and pressed excitement which the women exhibited. Their eyes were wide and brilliant from emotional unrest, their tempers far from sweet, and their complexions a source of persistent codfling and attention. The forgotten coat and sauntered toward the hotel garden, and then sat down in the vague shadow of the palms, wondering mutely how he could get out of meeting that Frenchman again, and still keep peace in the household. He was wishing hotel." hotel." arrested or recalled to Paris or anything, so long as he could be freed from the disagreeable duty of breaking bread with his financial despoiler. He watched his own front door for two hours, and until almost five o'clock, and seeing no messenger of any kind approach the house, he knew his guest meant to keep his engagement. He

foreigner, he finally made a resolve. Walking briskly across the hotel park, he boarded a car bound for the inland city, and on reaching an obscure hotel away from the center he hurrledly sent a telegram to his wife "I hope for your sake, Lily," Van ount of a serious business matter and tongue." she must present his excuses to the count. Then he sent another message to the count begging him to join a fictitious party of friends at poker, is bound to be prisidint some day. scarcely hoping that he would take the

The telegram to the two women surprised them but mildly. They were fluttering about the drawing-room nd the dining hall with the suspense of young smitten damsels, entertaining a coronet for the first time. Lily that fer luck?-Judge. . was disconcerted for a moment, but presently grined her composure, and each finally acknowledged to the other that she felt actually relieved because now they could converse freely with the count without fear of future ridi-

cule from Van Horton. Fifteen minutes before the hour of dinner the doorbell was rung.

"Gracious, he is delightfully early, isn't he. Marie?" gasped Lily. women glided into the drawing-room | Somerville Journal. and posed in becoming and conspicuous corners. Neither had ever met the ount, nor beheld him except from a great distance, and each was running nald." He-"Why not?" -She-Beover French phrases in her mind, wondering at the same time whether their guest had become sufficiently attached o American habits to learn fluent Eng-

A slender, dapper, very much perfumed and polished little man appeared at the drawing-room door, and before he could speak or the servant could announce him, the two young women rushed frantically at their titled guest, grasping his hands with a seemed to overwhelm him.

"Dear count, we are charmed-inthem still more measy and the pros- deed we are, perfectly charmed! So e pect of the next watch in a tempera- sorry we were not at home the other

> "But, madame-" gasped the little "But, madame-" He held a letter in his hand, which Lily took eagerly and

"Oh, we understand. You were know you. You are so different, so su-"But such things must be kept from perior to the ordinary, coarse Ameri-

"But, madame-" protested the also to be spared annoyances of even count. Marie was now adding her the most trivial kind. But if you ecstacies to those of her sister-in-law, morning hours for only six months, pulsively by either arm, and led him

"Mon Dieu, madame-" wailed the Hitle Frenchman. "No excuses, count, pray don't! We that noise? are so glad to see you. Pray don't

talk. The gossip flew from the lion of the hour to the most successful belle of the season, from Broadway to the Bois, and all the way back again, from the north pole to fashion in hats, and they discussed the people whom it was desirable to know, and many who were not desirable. Each strived to outtalk the other in order to make the dinner hour brilliant. The guest smiled feebly now and then and during the incessant clatter began finally to eat with relish and to drink the succession of wines with the appreciation of a connoisseur. The young women began to believe that they were making an impression, and though Count Boni pulled frightfully at his mustache and deigned to interfere but seldom in the conversation and then only in weak replies, Lily and her sister attributed his gentle mildness to quiescent satisfaction, and Marie fancied that she beheld an easy victim.

The two women kept up a tornado of

ing blandishments.

The dinner at an end, Count Boni till peculiarly nervous. rose abrupt' nonplussed. She be-The hoste at the Frenchman gan to image dist uing to the garwas not use n girls, and for rulity of tv that reason felt ill at ease. Then for 30 whole minutes she abandoned him the little Frenchman found himself on never flagged for a moment in convergood terms with the world, and espe- sational ardor. She felt in her heart cially with Van Horton, to whom he | that the count was experiencing a disepeatedly expressed admiration of tinet relief under her more gentle, the beauty and grace of madame. Not persuasive coquetry and that her sis-

"We are so glad to know you, count, because we all adore Paris, and dear, fascinating France. I am sure you Lily, not knowing of the \$3,000, de- have some imposing, weird chateau in termined to invite the count to dine the north, or perhaps in the south, with them at the charming little Van | that you will tell us about. Won't you,

Horton's suggestion, especially to a wild flourish of his hands, "you do meet his sister Marie, and not finding not understand, you do not underthe ladies at home, he had written an stand. It is time I should depart. You

"Oh, don't go yet," Lily begged as she rejoined them. "Really, you must ish, cherished a little feeling of rival- not go yet!" But Count Boni steadily ry now, when she fancied that her si- retreated to the doorway, managed to ter-in-law might be clever enough to slip into his coat, of which the servant fascinate the count and so deprive her | had divested him on entering, and finally reached the outer air to breathe freely and honestly again .

"Mon Dieu!" he was muttering hoarsely to himself, as he walked nervously along the beach. "Mon Dieu, what will happen next!"

His gentle, quick footfalls died away as he ascended the steps of the hotel veranda and disappeared down At half-past 11 o'clock Van Horton

returned home. Lily was waiting for

"You wretch," she exclaimed for greeting. "I am sure that the count felt awfully annoyed at your absence. He did not feel at ease for a moment. disgusted with the buzz of half-sup- He didn't talk at all, and left early, not even mentioning you. He was awfully annoyed."

"The count," drawled Van Horton, somewhat mystified." Did you see the

"Yes, he arrived promptly and we head of the house drew on a light top had a delightful time in spite of you." "That's well enough to tell your poor, deluded husband, Lily, but I saw your count in the city at 6:30 o'clock with three sheets in the wind, trying to dictate a note to somebody in the

"But he came, anyway," Lily protested, "and his conduct was above

reproach." Then you didn't get the note?" "Yes; he brought it himself."

"Who brought it?" "The count, of course!" she exclaimed. Van Horton sank into a chair,

bursting into a succession of loud, "Here it is!" she cried, victoriously, and he could imagine the nature of opening it for the first time. Van their nervous confidences and the care they were taking with their dinner Horton snatched it quickly, and betoilets. Arousing himself to a pitch of tween spasms of violent laughter, he

unrestrained antagonism toward the managed to read aloud to the deject-"Dear Madam: My valet, Jean, will pre-

tality. JUL10 BONI de apprising her of the fact that he was Horton managed to explode, "that compelled to come to the city on ac- Jean knows how to hold a discreet

A Comer. Mrs. Rooney-We think little Patsy

Mrs. Casey-An' phwy? Mrs. Rooney-Shure, he kin lick anny b'v in th' neighborhood, he kin ride anny goat, he's shot most av th' cats. an' he's a great feeder, an' he shtands at th' hid av his class at school because all th' other b'vs hov died-an' how's

# HUMOROUS.

"Kale had a funny reason for moving." "What was it?" "He said that when the landlord raised the rent he could not."-Indianapolis News.

Summer Boarder-"You wrote me that you didn't have any mosquitoes Farmer Wayback-"Yes, but that was toward the end of April."-

He-"I love you darling. I swear it by those lofty elms in yonder park. She-"Don't swear by those, cause those trees are slippery elms."-Detroit Free Press.

"Oh, well, my dear," observed he to his wife, "you will find that there are a great many worse men in the world than I am." "How can you be so cynical, John?" replied his wife, reproachfully.-Syracuse Herald.

"How were the presents?" "I wasn't at the wedding, but I'm sure she didn't get many." "How do you know?" "She practically admitted it. She told me she didn't get any duplicates at all."-Philadelphia Press.

"Grandpa," said the little girl, "I saw something this morning running across the kitchen floor without any legs. What do you think it was?" "What was it?" "Water," said the youngster, triumphantly .- St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Farmlots-"Where y' goin' with thet truck wagon?" Helper-Goin' t' th' died a dozen years ago, and he has store t'git a Sunday paper." Farmlots -You je' onbitch an' take th' double he lied about what he told to any-team, goldarn quick. Y' ain't goin' t' body who took the time to listen to kill off none o' my stock puttin' a fool bims His name was Thomas Stewart, load on one hoss."-Baltimore News. and he was a packer and prospector,

sit down, Thomas. You've given us the wor t spell of weather we've had this one day he saw from a ridge a peyear."-I'hiladelphia Times.

Hauskeep-Girl next door is having her voice cultivated.

A MUSICAL PRODIGY.

he Pitiful Plaint of a Man Fint-Dweller Who is Annoyed by a Youthful Plane Pounder.

"One of the members of the sedate and highly-respectable family that lives in the flat right beneath mine, aid the man with the haunted, worried look and the nervous, jerky manner, relates the Washington Star, "is a little girl about 12 years of age. She is a nice, tidy, pleasant-mannered little girl, too-but I wish, sometimes, that her father hadn't secured the government job that brought him to probably have remained in northern Missouri with his family, including that nice, tisty, pleasant-mannered lit- pronounced were shades and tints of

"Why? Well, the little girl is 'taking lessons,' as they say, on the pianoforte. She goes to school, of course, and therefore she has to do a lot of her practicing in the morning. She puzzling, and the prospector, after begins about seven o'clock in the morning, an hour at which before that family moved into their flat I was usually employed in dreaming of money and gilt-edged securities and other glorious, if impossible, things. The little walls of the Colorado famous, examgirl has arrived at that stage of her musical instruction at which she is permitted by her teacher to take up pieces.' She has quite a list of 'pieces' on her little list now, and the things that she does to 'em during the early morning hour or so would never, never

"She begins the morning with about ten minutes of Duvernay scales. She always whicks two side-by-side keys with each finger in doing this, but that doesn't seem to bother her at all, her main idea being, it would seem, to get through with the scale business just as quickly as possible, in order to reach her 'piece'-playing performance.

"Duvernay having been butchered, quartered, sliced into sections, salted and put away, this nice little girl with the pleasant manners puts 'Silvery Waves' on the rack-in more ways than one-and proceeds to make that immemorial bore of a composition sound like-well, like as if a mule were playing a xylophone solo on a pair of Venetian blinds, if such a thing could be. It is in the 'variations' that the nice little girl makes every moment of 'Silvery Waves' an incredfbly long-drawn-out agony.

'Silvery Waves' having been played off the boards, to employ a slangism of the race course, the nice little girl gets the thumbscrews on Verdi's immortal Miserere' from 'Il Trovatore.' Now, I don't yield to anybody in my reverence for the 'Miserere.' I don't suppose there could be a more noble and inspiring melody than that. But it was assuredly never designed to be played as a rag-time composition. That's how the nice little girl below me plays it. She works in all the syncopation of rag time very skillfully. She makes the 'Miserere' sound like something that ought to have words fitted to it about Texas man, but they had been ginned 'mah coal-tar lady' or 'mah erapshootin' baby,' and I am always, oh, the ordinary seed, but they would so glad when she gets through execut-

is the word. "Being by this time in a lightsome, frolicsome mood, the nice little girl hungers for something light and airy, so she takes down 'The Frolic of the Frogs Waltz.' She's got this one down, so pat, it having been her first 'piece.' that she can play the whole thing from beginning to end in something less than 42 seconds, and that's the way she plays it. If grasshoppers could waltz to the dead gallop that she makes of that three-quarter time composition. and be made to 'spit tobacco inice.'

Fisher Maiden,' which by some strange trick of fancy she seems to imagine is a rollicking jig or buck dance. She soubrette came on to do her refined seems to entertain the same notion with respect to 'My Queen Waltz, which is her next performance. takes her all of 74 seconds—I timed her -to play 'My Queen Waltz' from beginning to end, and, at that, she ap pears to think she has wasted time, for she scarcely gets through with that before she sprints into 'Pure As Snow, which she renders as if it were a dance to the waves mood by going at 'Waves of the Ocean,' which she performs as if it had been written in reel time. After she has performed 'Everybody's Dar ling' with great slowness and delibera-

for-marionettes. Then she gets back tion, exactly the way it hadn't ought to be played, she launches into 'The Maiden's Prayer,' which sounds like a runaway phonograph. If any maiden ever tried to pray to the pace set by this litle girl she'd establish a world's record for the greatest number of uttered words within the space of one "She is just winding up gloriously

minute. with her first old love, the vindictive and devilish 'chopsticks,' when her mother calls her to breakfast. Along about six o'clock in the evening, when I'm just settling down to read my Star paper, she goes through the whole thing again, only doing it backward this time, winding up with the mad-

dening Duvernay. "She's a nice, 'tidy, pleasant-mannered little girl, as I say, but, oh, if her father had only failed to pass his civil service examination!"

# LOST "COTTON MINE."

An Old Prospector's Tale of a Really Important Discovery That Came

I used to know an old fellow in Prescott, Ariz., when I was holding down a job there," said a mining engineer to a New York Herald report-"as much as 20 years ago, who told a story that he swore to before a notary. He never had done so un-til he told it to me, and when I doubted it, he ambled around to the actary's office, and when he came back he had the story all in an affidavit, with the usual legal trimmings. When a man will do that with a story he tells it ought to be true, whether it is or not. "But let that part of it go. He

had to answer to a higher power if The following story is told of a according to circumstances. spelling class examination held in the story was one of his experiences as Haverford public school some time a prospector. He said he had been ago: "Thomas, spell weather." said out in the Hualpi mountains, about the teacher. Thomas - W-i-a-e- 50 or 60 miles to the north of Wil-t-h-i-a-e-r." Teacher-"You may liams Fork of the Colorado river. prospecting for several weeks, when

a small plateau across a canyon. "It was something so much out of Caller For goodness' sake, what's the ordinary that he concluded to get across to see what it was. It was no easy job, but he got over in the

culiar looking colored formation on

# DOCTORS

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SOUTH THE RESIDENCE OF COLUMN Washington. Otherwise, he would ing white it was of varying color, reand blue and yellow and green pre these colors. A closer inspection proved the plant to be cotton, differ ing somewhat from the Texas vari ety, but practically the same thing

"It was the color, though, that wa an investigation which showed that it was not due to any settlings of dust from the many colored earth that are common in that part of the country, and have made the canyon ined the location of the cotton patch which covered about ten acres of a little valley. "To one side, and hidden at first by

the plants, he found a number of springs, warm and cold, with the wa ter in each of a different color, or rather all of them having the colors found in the cotton growing about them, and getting its sustenance from them and the soil which they colored. It was all clear enough to him now, and he looked upon his dis covery as nothing more than one of the many natural freaks of that pe culiar country.

"Ten days later he was in Prescott and heard a Texas cotton man talk ing. From that he got an idea, and the next day he was on his way to his cotton patch, with 20 burros, and ten days later he was in Prescott again with about two tons of raw cotton of bright color. He sold the lot to the Texas man for \$500, and proceeded to blow himself. He went to 'Frisco to organize a company to raise cotton of natural dyes, but be fore he got much of a start he had drunk and gambled all his money away and was stranded. He had his wits about him, though, and would not tell where his cotton mine was thinking he would go back a year later and harvest another crop.

"Abbut the right time the follow ing year he hurried away to the ountains, and when he came back he looked like he had lost his best friend. He couldn't stand it, and had to tell his story, which was to the effect that there was no crop to gather. He had cleared it up thoroughly the year before, not leaving a seed, and all he found was a patch of withered stems.

"He tried to get seed from the out and lost. Then he tried to plant not grow, and so Stewart lost his ing that composition-yes, executing one chance to be rich, and he never quite got over it."

> The Stage Snowstorm. The pittiless snow was falling

hunkily on the stage. The persecuted hero walked mood ly from wing to wing talking to him Persecuted heroes always think

Suddenly the writing on one of the snowflakes attracted his attention. "Heavens!" he exclaimed, while the they'd never get caught by small boys orchestra burst into one weird shivering strain, "Heavens! It is Madge's

m and rescue her at last!" And he left the stage just as the specialty.-Judge. Signboards in Canada,

Some travelers in the wilds of Canada were puzzled to learn the meaning the delights of polo, football and of the initials H. B. C. on numerous they must stand for "Here Before by means of contests with teams from Christ." On returning to civilization they were informed that the letters belonged to the Hudson Bay company.

Wanted It Knocked Out. A school-teacher in Frome, England, sent this to the father of one of his pupils: "I beg to inform you lishmen. Quite lately the Boer pris that in my opinion your son is suffering from myopia and his case requires prompt attention." The next day the boy brought back this written request: "Mister, please knock it out of Jim, as I ain't got time."-Chicago Chronicle.

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Canada Wondering Whether to Proteet the Fish or Not-Is an En

One of the fishery problems now onfronting Canadian fishermen, acording to the New York Sun, is whether the sturgeon is worthy of protection or not. It is true it forms er important item in the present list of the fishery products of the dodaion, but it is allieged that its dearcetical of the eggs of other fish, especially of the various forms, of whitefish in the great lakes, is so enormous that it is expedient that my steps shall be taken in the direcion of protecting it. It is on record that gallons of freshly absorbed pawn of other fishes have been aken from a single sturgeon.

At present, in the waters of the great lakes, fishermen are prohibited from taking sturgeon at all without license, though for many years the 4sh were slaughtered with almost svery conceivable implement of capture. The sturgeon frequents com paratively shallow water, and, thereore, is oftener taken in pound-nets than in gill-nets. It is most easily captured in the spring of the year, at spawning time, when large numeers congregate about the mouths of

The spawning time is often as early as the middle of May, but in Lake Superior, where the operation is recarded by the extreme coldness of the water, it occurs as late as July. At this time the habits of the fish ander them comparatively defenseless; they run in schools, depositing their spawn along seams in rocky \*dges, as may easily be observed at the head of the Ningara river. The females are followed by the males, both rolling over and over on the pottom and then leaping from the water and falling back with a pplash.

They are often successfully taken with a gaff, or by hauling a grapnel book along the bottom. Both meth ods wound many fish, which escape to suffer, and probably to die. The Indians often spear them in comparatively deep water, even at a depth of 25 to 30 feet. They use a long spear with a detachable handle, to in the use of this weapon the Indians are very proficient.

protection for it has been renewed. pounds of caviare, yielding more than in handsomely embroidered. \$45,000, were saved by Canadian fishermen last year. Of the flesh, Ontario alone supplied nearly a million pounds last season.

In the waters of the great lakes, the limit of size of the sturgeon seems to be about a hundred pounds but in the lower St. Lawrence and gulf the fish attains to a very much larger size, and is sometimes taken up to 12 feet in length.

### EMPIRE BUILDING.

Importance of Athletic Sports Becomes More Evident Every Day.

In the business of empire-building

the importance of athletic sports is more than evident, says John Corbin them. Mr. Holder has made a set of in the Atlantic. There is a saying that stairs on which these intelligent ani-"She follows this up with 'The Little handwriting! Now to follow up the the English colonist plays cricket, mals take positions in the form of a drinks Scotch whisky and flourishes pyramid. Each one takes its place in numbers, while the French colonist | without hesitation and remains in an drinks absinthe and dies of the climate. indicated position until the word is And the humanities of sport are no less | given to come down. important that the discipline. Natives of India and New Zealand have learned four white. They are two-year-olds cricket while playing with English sign-boards of the wilderness, and colonists; the Egyptian cadets of not been more difficult to teach than finally agreed in all seriousness that Abasayah have been made sportsmen an equal number of men would have the regiments of occupation. In a few short years a fellow feeling and a mutual confidence have arisen that would otherwise be impossible in generations. Nowadays Ghoorka meets Ghoorka in contests of sportsmanship Maeri meets Maori. Egyptian meets Egyptian, and all are three partstengoners in Ceylon got up a team to play a Eritish cricket eleven, and ended th gether as a group. day by singing a song, composed by one of their number, invoking peace and good fellowship in South Africa Before the general balance in favor of British sports is wiped away there must be many decades of commercial and colonial reverses; and if America is to enter into a lasting competition New environments have developed a with the mother country, it will be peculiar type, as different from the necessary not only to avoid the typical "salt" as the waters of the

faults of British sportsmanship, but lakes are different from the seas, says to emulate its virtues Evidently Embarrassing, Extempore preachers of a florid they cannot always drop when they should. , An English evangelist minister of this sort had a trick of apostrophizing his hearers as "dear London souls," "dear Liverpool souls," according to the place in which he might hapreland, he harangued "dear Dublin ouls" with great effect, but when he extended his tour southward and appealed tearfully to "dear Cork souls"

edifying .- N. Y. Post. A Record Cargo.

How a Boy Was Named. The latest maps of British East Afer repeated inquiries came a faint pilots, deeply learned in the art of met with the same response, and and gliding up to docks and into ca Companion.

Train a Mile Long

like a record. But that is what was

recently hauled over the Thunder Bay and Wabigoon section of the Canadian Pacific railway. It comprised 105 cars, Situate next to the engine was a testing car. The train was sent over the road to ascertain

CATARRH

astringent washes, lotions, salves, medicated tobacco and cigarettes or any external or local application, is just as senseless as would be kindling a fire on top of the pot to make it boil. True, these give temporary relief, but the cavities and passages of the head and the bronchial tubes soon fill up again with mucus.

Taking cold is the first step towards Catarrh, for it checks perspiration, and the poisonous acids and vapors which should pass off through the skin, are

thrown back upon the mucous membran-or inner skin, producing inflammation and excessive low of mucus, much of which is absorbed into the blood and through the circulation reaches every part of the system, involving the Stomach, Kidneys and other parts of the body. When the disease assumes the dry form, the breath becomes exceedingly foul, blinding headaches are frequent, the eyes red, hearing affected and a constant ringing in the ears. No remedy that does not reach the polluted blood can cure Catarrh. S. S. S. expels from the circulation all offensive matter, and when rich, pure

scirculation all offensive matter, and when rich, blood is again coursing through the body mucous membranes become healthy and the active, all the disagreeable, painful symptoms dipear, and a permanent, thorough cure is effective. mucous membranes become healthy and the skin active, all the disagreeable, painful symptoms disappear, and a permanent, thorough cure is effected. S. S. S. being a strictly vegetable blood purifier does not derange the Stomach and digestion, but the appetite and general health rapidly improve Write us about your case and get the best medical under its tonic effects. advice free. Book on blood and skin diseases sent on application. THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Atlanta, Ga.

#### MINNESOTA SOLDIERS.

Company C, Third Regiment, National Guard the Most Thoroughly Drilled in the World,

The most remarkable body of soldiers in the world is company C, Third regiment, the national guards of Minnesota, stationed at Duluth, and Circuit Court of McDowell county, W. says the Strand. Every member of Va. this fine company is thoroughly familiar with the military drills of every nation, and could fall into the ranks and fill all the requirements of the well-drilled and disciplined soldier of any land.

When the company was stationed

at Chattanooga during the Spanish-American war, it gained the wellearned reputation of being the bestdrilled company of all the 70,000 troops in camp. Since then the company has taken up the drills of other gon, Washington and Coast points at .xnations, both ancient and modern, ceedingly lyw rates from all stations. It and has become marvelously expert. is possible dates to the West will never be All the various drills of the company so cheap again; choice of three rouses. are held in the uniforms of the soldiers of the country which the troops he iron of which a line is fastened. are supposed to represent, and to make these costumes historically correct, the company has expended over On account of the increasing value \$3,000. Lieut. C. Josten is the originof the fish and its products, last sea- ator of the scheme, and he deserves son's catch was very much larger great credit for the admirable manthan usual, and the outery for more ner in which he has disciplined his men. Each military number is pre-This increased demand is not only for ceded by a bugler and a standard the flesh, but also for the roe for bearer, carrying the flag or standard the making of caviare. For this pur- of the nation represented and blowpose the eggs of the sturgeon are ing the bugle call of the different naworth 50 cents a pound. Sometimes tions as they fall in line. The cosa single fish produces from 1,000,000 tumes—they can hardly be called unito 2,000,000 eggs. At least 90,000 forms-of many are rich silk and sat-

#### TRAINED STEERS AT DRILL.

An Indiana Man Has a Novel Troupe of Bovine Performers, and Some Trained Hogs.

Edward S. Holder, horseman, of Cambridge City, Ind., has trained a herd of eight steers to perform military evolutions and many other stunts. says the Indianapolis News. The eight form in line and stand at "attention" at the word. At the command, "single file," they walk off in that order. They take the "double file" order when commanded to do so, and march by fours and eights. They countermarch, and at a command four fall to their knees,

Four of these steers are black and and as handsome a lot of cattle as can be found. Mr. Holder says they have in harness; and almost any day he can be seen driving them along the streets of the town, or into the country Bridles, with bits and blinds and harness just like horses wear, have been provided. The steers make a handsome and useful team. It is claimed that no other group of cattle was ever trained to perform together. Mr. Holder has trained a number of hogs to do various acts, and to perform to-

# SAILORS OF THE LAKES.

Are of Different Type Than Salt Wa- C. T. PATTON. ter Mariners-Their Contempt of Each Other.

the Outlook. One can understand how the ocean seaman might naturally look with contempt on the navigator of the "fresh water ponds," but it is surprisype often adopt mannerisms which ing to find that the lake mariner expresses equal contempt for the "salt." And many a "salt," tempted by higher wages and better treatment, has come to the lakes only to have his seasoned stomach upset in the first sharp squall, much to the amusement of the lake men, and to find the work so en to be preaching. Passing over to lake men, and to find the work so much livelier than that of the ocean where he is prepared to do everything per-craft that he has been willing enough to go back to the sea. For storms on the lakes are sharp, short and violent, the effect was great, but not exactly and the harbors, locks and rivers, make a great diversity of work-and hard work, too. Instead-of shipping The largest number of immigrants for a voyage and standing the possi that ever landed from a single steam-bility of being "shanghaied" at ports ship disembarked at New York city or abused during months at sea, the recently, this record cargo being com-lake mariner, engaged for the sea-posed of 2,692 persons. often, is industrious and sober, has a family at the end of his run, and makes enough in nine months to perrica designate an arm of the great mit him to enjoy his winter vacation cictoria Nyanza as Ugowe bay. The if he cares to do so. The officers, origin of the name was recently told while men of marked intelligence, by Sir Henry Stanley. When, 27 have little knowledge of scientific years ago, he was making a chart of navigation, such as is necessary to the lake shores, he came upon a spar set a course at sea, their runs being cious bay. Calling a native on shore, short and never far from a 1he asked the name of the place. Aft shore; but they are past master answer which sounded like You go wriggling through crowded channels, 'way." An attempt of the interpreter making narrow harbors in high seas, Stanley humorously accepted the an- nal locks with scientific accuracy. swer to mark the spot. It contin- Also, they are fine fellows, bluff, uese in the maps as Ugowe,-Youth's hearty, full of stories, and fond of their life-and their pay is good. Over 40,000 men find employment in and about the ships of the lakes. A train one mile in length sounds

Jome Rule for Iceland. Iceland is about to obtain home rule

King Christian of Denmark has called for an extraordinary meeting of the althing next summer to consider a reform of the constitution. A plan to be submitted is the appointment of a minister for Iceland, who shall be acquainted with Icelandic and shall reside at Reikjavik instead of Copen-

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